

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for considering the references cited with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on September 7, 2006.

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-5 and 8-11 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by JP 05-219280 to Hiroshi et al. ("Hiroshi"). Claims 2, 3, 8 and 11 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer thereby rendering their rejections moot.

Addressing amended claim 1, Hiroshi does not disclose or suggest at least a personal computer operation environment presetting system comprising an input power source voltage detecting unit operable, when a wireless LAN card is mounted therein, to detect the personal computer input AC power source voltage permitting operation in a wireless LAN system, as recited in the claim.

Hiroshi merely discloses an automatic paper selection system for a laser beam printer in which the power supply voltage is detected and a paper size of either A4 or letter-size is set based on the power supply voltage corresponding to a voltage range of a particular country, for example, Japan or the US.

Thus, Hiroshi does not disclose or suggest a wireless LAN card mounted in an apparatus or that the apparatus is a personal computer, nor does Hiroshi disclose or suggest presetting the operating voltage to allow operation of the LAN card, as set forth in the claims.

Therefore, claim 1 is patentable over Hiroshi. Claims 4, 5 and 10, which depend from claim 1, are patentable at least by virtue of their dependence. Claim 9 contains features similar to the features recited in claim 1 and is therefore patentable for similar reasons.

Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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